

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claim 13. This objection has been addressed. The Examiner also rejected claims 1 and 3 as being anticipated by Reznichenko (6,433,934). The Examiner also allowed claims 4 to 12 and indicated that claims 2 and 13 contained allowable subject matter. In response, Applicants have amended claim 1 to include the subject matter of claim 2. Amended claim 1 provides support for original claim 3, thereby addressing the Examiner's section 112 rejection of claim 3. Since claim 3 now depends from allowable claim 1, the rejection of claim 3 under the prior art is now moot.

Applicants have also submitted new claims 14 to 18. It is believed that these new claims, as well as the original claims, are all in condition for allowance and early action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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